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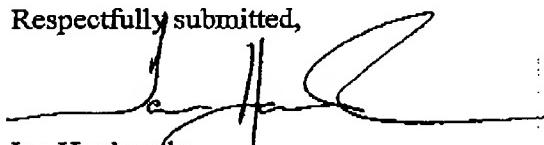
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Title: AVALANCHE ARRAY BIASING DEVICE AND AVALANCHE PHOTODIODE STRUCTURE

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In response to the Official Action dated 14 January 2004, the applicants elect Invention II with traverse. Claims 17-27 and 35-43 read on Invention II.